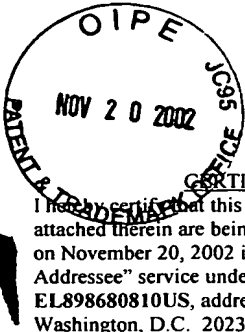


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**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL  
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This is a request for filing a

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application under 37 CFR §1.53(d) (continued prosecution application) of prior pending application No. 09/536,347, filed on March 27, 2000, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PLASMA FORMING INNER MAGNETIC BUCKET TO CONTROL A VOLUME OF A PLASMA.

Assigned to: Lam Research Corporation

- ☐ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4). DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
  - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-Form 1449 is enclosed.
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Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

☐ Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	20	MINUS	20	= 0	x 18 =	\$-0-
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Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a)					\$740 =	\$740.00
TOTAL						\$740.00
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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or to charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P126).

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P126).

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☐ Suspension of Prosecution for the time necessary to file an amendment is requested.

☐ An Extension of Time in the prior application is requested.

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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 8.

Please amend claims 2 and 17, as follows:

2. (Twice Amended) A plasma processing apparatus for processing a substrate, comprising:  
a process chamber, comprising:  
a wall defining part of the process chamber;